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SUBJECT: PROPOSED EXIM TRAVEL PLANS

REFERENCE: 1. STATE 207637 2. CANBERRA 6534

1. EXIM TEAM OF CHAIRMAN MOORE, SPECIAL ASSISTANT
MATT SCHAFER AND DEPUTY VICE PRESIDENT GEORGE C.
HEIDRICH AND PROBABLY MRS. MOORE ACCEPT AMBASSADOR'S
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KIND INVITATION TO STAY AT THE RESIDENCE WHILE IN
CANBERRA. TEAM WILL ARRIVE SYDNEY ON SATURDAY OCTOBER 28
AT 0855 HOURS ON QANTAS FLIGHT 64 FROM WELLINGTON,
NZ AND LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING AMBASSADOR IN SYDNEY.
TEAM IS OPEN FOR AMBASSADOR'S SUGGESTION FOR WEEKEND.

2. EXIM APPRECIATES AMBASSADOR'S OFFER TO USE CHANCERY
FACILITIES. HOWEVER, IT IS NECESSARY FOR TEAM TO VISIT
SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND BRISBANE TO ATTEND BERNE UNION

MEETING, MEET BORROWERS, AND DISCUSS POTENTIAL BUSINESS AND FINANCING OPPORTUNITIES WITH APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS OFFICIALS.

3. EXIM FEELS THAT THE FOLLOWING ITINERARY WOULD BE BENEFICIAL:

A. MONDAY, OCTOBER 30: MEET WITH GOA OFFICIALS IN CANBERRA.

B. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31: DEPART CANBERRA FOR SYDNEY TO ATTEND BERNE UNION MEETING AT BOULEVARD HOTEL. TEAM WOULD LIKE TO MEET QANTAS AND TRANS AUSTRALIA AIRLINES OFFICIALS AFTER 1430 HOURS. SPEND NIGHT IN SYDNEY.

C. WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1 AND 2: MEETINGS IN MELBOURNE WITH BROKEN HILL, HAMERSLY IRON, ANSETT AND CRA. TEAM WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DISCUSS NORTHWEST SHELF PROJECT WITH B. P., SHELL, AND WOODSIDE. (FYI EXIM TO DISCUSS NORTHWEST SHELF WITH CALIFORNIA ASIATIC ON SEPTEMBER 8 IN WASHINGTON.) EXIM ALSO INTERESTED IN TALKING WITH STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION OF VICTORIA. TO MAXIMIZE CHAIRMAN EXPOSURE WITH FINANCING COMMUNITIES, UNCLASSIFIED

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EXIM FEELS A BREAKFAST OR LUNCHEON MEETING WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

D. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3: TEAM TO DEPART MELBOURNE ON NON-STOP ROCKET FLIGHT AT 0700 HOURS TO BRISBANE FOR MEETING WITH APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS OFFICIALS. RETURN TO SYDNEY ON 1600 HOURS FLIGHT SAME DAY.

E. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4: DEPART SYDNEY MID-MORNING FOR BALI INDONESIA.

4. EXIM APPRECIATES EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING HOTEL RESERVATIONS, GROUND TRANSPORTATION AND APPOINTMENTS. CHRISTOPHER

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